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SUBJECT: NATO DEFENSE INITIATIVES: 14 APRIL EXECUTIVE  
WORKING GROUP (EWG) DISCUSSION OF ANNEX H (RATIONALIZATION)  
OF THE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT

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SUMMARY: EWG DISCUSSION OF ANNEX H, RATIONALIZATION, WAS  
TYPICAL OF THE PRECEDING (AND FOLLOWING) DISCUSSIONS DURING  
THE TWO-DAY EWG MEETING. US, UK, FRG, AND NL REPRESENTA  
TIVES WERE THE PROTAGONISTS; THE OTHER EWG MEMBERS CONTRI-  
BUTING MAINLY BY NODDING ASSENT. THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN  
PARAGRAPH 12 RECEIVED MOST OF THE ATTENTION. AGAIN, LED BY  
THE UK, ALLIES SEEM INTENT ON CHANGING "AGREE" TO "AGREE IN  
PRINCIPLE". THE US FORMULATION THAT MINISTERS "DIRECT THAT"  
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CERTAIN ACTIONS BE TAKEN SURVIVES ONLY BECAUSE THE US REP  
(LEGERE) INSISTED THAT THE US-PROPOSED LANGUAGE APPEAR IN  
BRACKETS, IF NECESSARY. THE CHAIRMAN (DSYG PETRIGNANI),  
SIDE-STEPPING A POTENTIALLY LONG AND CONFUSING DEBATE ON  
THE EXTENSIVE US, UK, AND FRG PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RECOM-  
MENDATIONS, SUGGESTED THAT THE IS REDRAFT ANNEX H WITH A  
SIDE-BY-SIDE PRESENTATION OF THE VARIOUS NATIONAL PROPOSALS

-- ALL OF WHICH WILL BE IN BRACKETS. PETRIGNANI EXPLAINED THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO PUT OFF WORK; BUT HE BELIEVED IN THIS CASE, NATIONS SHOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY THOROUGHLY THE PROPOSALS TABLED TO SEE IF THE DIFFERENCES WERE REALLY SUBSTANTIVE OR MERELY ONES OF LANGUAGE. HE SAID THAT THE EWG WILL DISCUSS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF ANNEX H AT THE NEXT MEETING ON 21 APRIL. WE WILL DCOM TO WASHINGTON THE REDRAFTED ANNEX H ON MONDAY, 17 APRIL. END SUMMARY.

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1. EWG DISCUSSION CENTERED PRIMARILY ON US AMENDMENTS TO ANNEX H (REF A), CIRCULATED BY LETTER ON 12 APRIL, AND UK AND FRG AMENDMENTS DISTRIBUTED AT THE MEETING. IN ADDITION, THERE WERE SOME MINOR EDITORIAL CHANGES INTRODUCED BY THE UK AND NL REPRESENTATIVES.

2. AGREED MODIFICATIONS TO ANNEX H, WHICH WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT DRAFT OF THE REPORT, FOLLOW:

- A. PARAS 1 AND 2: NO CHANGE

- B. PARA 3:

- (1) THE FIRST SENTENCE WILL NOW READ: "NATO IS TOTALLY DEPENDENT UPON NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEN AND EQUIPMENT FOR ITS FORCE POSTURE." (UK CHANGE)  
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- (2) ADD TO THE END OF THE PARA: "ALL PLANNERS SHOULD BEAR IN MIND, THAT THE IN-SERVICE PHASE OF A WEAPON SYSTEM CARRIES THE HIGHEST FINANCIAL DEMAND. FROM HERE IT FOLLOWS THAT HIGHEST SAVINGS CAN BE MADE IN THIS PHASE, BUT THIS REQUIRES IDENTICAL EQUIPMENT, AT LEAST IDENTITY OF THOSE PARTS WHICH HAVE THE HIGHEST RATE OF ATTRITION." (FRG CHANGE).

- C. PARA 4 - COMPLETELY REFORMULATED AS A RESULT OF AN FRG RECOMMENDATION (BUT INCLUDES THE US CHANGES) AS FOLLOWS:

" TOWARD THIS OBJECTIVE, TWO LONG-RANGE ARMAMENTS PLANNING INITIATIVES ARE BEING DEVELOPED IN NATO. THE FIRST IS UNDER DISCUSSION IN THE CNAD AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON A POSSIBLE PERIODIC ARMAMENTS PLANNING SYSTEM (PAPS). IT IS STRIVING FOR A MANAGEMENT METHOD BY WHICH NATIONS CAN FOCUS UPON THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO AGREE COMMON OR INTER-OPERABLE DEFENCE EQUIPMENT. IT SUGGESTS THAT NATIONS' MILITARY PLANNERS IDENTIFY MISSION NEEDS BY ANALYZING A KNOWN OR ANTICIPATED MILITARY THREAT IN THE LIGHT OF A TACTICAL CONCEPT FORMULATED TO DEAL WITH THE MISSION AREA

IN WHICH THE THREAT ARISES. ESSENTIALLY, A MISSION NEEDS STATEMENT CONSISTS OF A TACTICAL PROBLEM THAT CANNOT BE SOLVED WITH EXISTING EQUIPMENT. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, NATIONS HAVE THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY TO HARMONIZE RESOURCES IN SUPPORT OF FUTURE DEFENCE EQUIPMENT. NATIONS CAN HARMONIZE ON THE PROBLEM AND COLLABORATE TO DEVELOP THE SOLUTION INSTEAD OF TRYING TO HARMONIZE NATIONAL SOLUTIONS. THE PLANNING SYSTEM UNDER STUDY ALSO INCLUDES (1) LONG-RANGE FORECASTING; (2) THE COMPLETE WEAPON SYSTEM LIFE CYCLE (INCLUDING MISSION NEED); (3) A COMMON MISSION AREA DESCRIP-

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TION AND (4) THE NEED FOR COMMON ACQUISITION TECHNOLOGY."

- D. PARA 5: THE FIRST SENTENCE WILL NOW READ: "THE OTHER ARMAMENTS PLANNING INITIATIVE, CURRENTLY UNDER TRIAL, IS A PROGAMATIC STEP TO HARMONIZE NATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR A COMMON APPROACH AFTER SUCH PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED TO A CERTAIN DEGREE BY INDIVIDUAL NATIONS." (FRG CHANGE; MODIFIED SLIGHTLY BY A NL SUBSTITUTION OF "OTHER" FOR "LONG-TERM" AS THE SECOND WORD OF THE SENTENCE.)

- E. PARA 8: THE FIRST SENTENCE WILL NOW READ: "NATO MACHINERY IS IN NEED OF REVIEW." (UK CHANGE)

- F. PARA 10: THE FIRST PART OF THE FIRST SENTENCE

WILL NOW READ: "IPR ISSUES ARE IMPLICIT IN A WIDE SPECTRUM  
OF ACTIVITIES..." (NL CHANGE)

- G. PARA 11 - DELETED (UK CHANGE)  
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- H. PARA 12 - RENUMBERED AS PARA 11

3. THE EWG COULD NOT AGREE A NUMBER OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS  
--- PRIMARILY TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS PARAGRAPH. AS A RE-  
SULT, THE NEXT DRAFT WILL REFLECT THE VARIOUS NATIONAL  
PROPOSALS IN BRACKETS. WE WILL DACOM TO AMB KOMER'S OFFICE  
AND OASD/ISA THE TEXT OF A REVISED DRAFT OF THE ANNEX WHICH  
WILL PROVIDE A SIDE-BY-SIDE LAY OUT OF THE VARIOUS BRACKETED  
LANGUAGE.

4. TOWARD THE END OF THE EWG DISCUSSION, THE CA REP (OLSON)  
TABLED AN ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE TRANSFER  
OF TECHNOLOGY WHICH WILL APPEAR (IN BRACKETS) IN THE NEXT  
DRAFT AS PARA 12F AS FOLLOWS:

- "(F) TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

- ENDORSE THE NEED FOR THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY  
BETWEEN NATIONS TO:

- - ENHANCE THE STANDARDIZATION/INTEROPERABILITY OF  
NATO DEFENSE EQUIPMENT;

- - ENHANCE TO MEMBER NATIONS THE RETURN ON INVEST-  
MENTS IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATO DEFENSE EQUIPMENT.  
COMMENT: WE LEARNED, AFTER THE MEETING, THAT THE CANADIAN  
PROPOSAL REFLECTED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN MR. CRUTCHLOW AND  
DR. PERRY. HAD WE KNOWN, WE COULD HAVE PROVIDED SUPPORT  
FOR THE CA PROPOSAL. END COMMENT. GLITMAN

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